

BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

MINOR CORRECTION TO PRODUCT DESCRIPTION IN
MAIL CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE

Docket No.
MC2022-57

**NOTICE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE OF FILING
MINOR CORRECTIONS TO THE PRODUCT DESCRIPTION OF INTERNATIONAL
MONEY TRANSFER SERVICE-INBOUND**
(May 6, 2022)

The United States Postal Service (Postal Service) hereby submits to the Postal Regulatory Commission (Commission) the attached minor corrections to Mail Classification Schedule (MCS) section 2625, which consist of the removal of certain countries from the list of countries in subsection 2625.2 of the MCS, which concerns International Money Order Service (IMTS) - Inbound. These changes are in accordance with certain Postal Bulletin notices.¹

This notice satisfies the requirements set forth in 39 C.F.R. § 3040.190(a) and (b), because the changes described should result in the MCS more accurately representing the Postal Service's offerings. As background, IMTS-Inbound provides a service to foreign postal operators for payment of hard copy international paper money orders sent to recipients in the United States. Currently, inbound international paper money order services are based on underlying bilateral agreements executed under international law with various foreign postal operators. During the last few years, there

¹ See Postal Service to Terminate International Postal Money Order Service with Japan Post, *Postal Bulletin* 22541, March 12, 2020, available at https://about.usps.com/postal-bulletin/2020/pb22541/html/info_006.htm; IMM Revision: Termination of International Postal Money Order Service, *Postal Bulletin* 22577, July 29, 2021, available at https://about.usps.com/postal-bulletin/2021/pb22577/html/updt_005.htm.

have been significant declines in the number of international postal money orders purchased.

The exchange of international postal money orders with Japan Post was recently terminated, which included the termination of Postal Service cashing of inbound international postal money orders issued by Japan Post as of March 31, 2020.² Thus, Japan should be removed from the list of countries in MCS section 2625.2 when this docket is concluded.

Also, the Postal Service recently provided notice to several foreign postal operators of the termination of exchange of international postal money orders with them.³ As a result, Bahamas, Barbados, British Virgin Islands, Dominica, Montserrat, St. Kitts, and St. Vincent should be removed from the list of countries in MCS section 2625.2, to reflect that effective October 1, 2022, the Postal Service will stop cashing international postal money orders issued by the postal operators of those countries.

This filing is in accordance with 39 C.F.R. § 3040.190(c), because these minor corrections do not give rise to material changes to the IMTS-Inbound product description, for purposes of 39 C.F.R. § 3040.180. In addition, in accordance with 39 C.F.R. § 3040.190(c)(2), these minor corrections are consistent with applicable authorities.

² See Postal Service to Terminate International Postal Money Order Service with Japan Post, *Postal Bulletin* 22541, March 12, 2020, available at https://about.usps.com/postal-bulletin/2020/pb22541/html/info_006.htm.

³ See IMM Revision: Termination of International Postal Money Order Service, *Postal Bulletin* 22577, July 29, 2021, available at https://about.usps.com/postal-bulletin/2021/pb22577/html/updt_005.htm.

Thus, the Postal Service, in accordance with 39 C.F.R. § 3040.190(c)(3), hereby submits to the Commission the attached corrections to MCS section 2625, which should result in:

- Japan being removed from MCS section 2625.2, and
- Bahamas, Barbados, British Virgin Islands, Dominica, Montserrat, St. Kitts, and St. Vincent being removed from MCS section 2625.2 effective October 1, 2022.

The Postal Service believes that these changes should be incorporated by the Commission into the MCS, and therefore requests that the Commission favorably review these changes.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment – Mail Classification Schedule

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2625 International Money Transfer Service—Inbound

2625.1 Description

Inbound International Money Transfer Service provides a service to foreign postal administrations or their countries' designated operators, commercial banks or money-transfer operators for payment of electronic or hard copy money orders to recipients in the United States. There is no charge to the recipient for this service. The service includes processing the paid money orders through the Federal Reserve Bank system and settlement of accounts.

2625.2 Price Categories

The following price categories are available for the product specified in this section:

- Bilateral or Multilateral Agreements
Payment is made according to negotiated terms included in bilateral or multilateral agreements.
- Inbound Money Transfer Service Agreements 1
Baseline Reference
N/A
Included Agreements
~~Bahamas~~
~~Barbados~~
Belize
~~British Virgin Islands~~
~~Dominica~~
Japan
Montserrat
Peru
~~St. Kitts~~
~~St. Vincent~~

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